

Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

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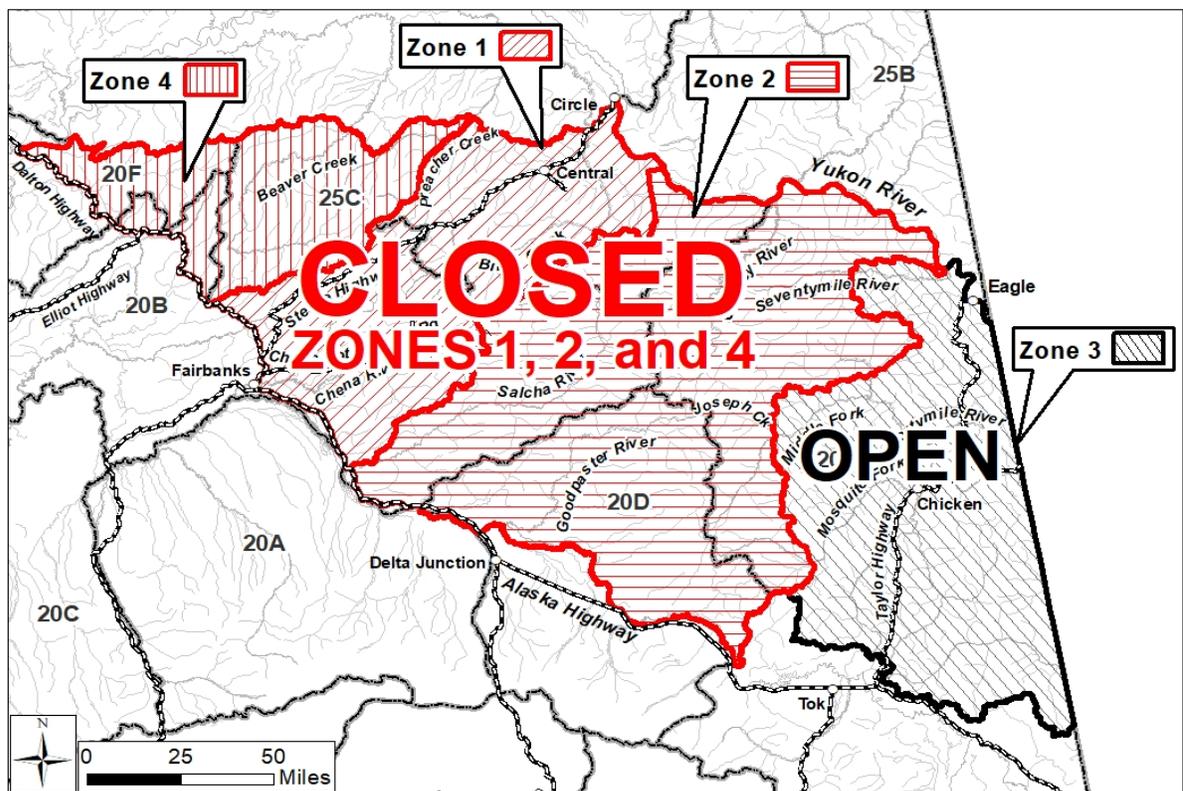
Effective Date: 12:01 A.M.
October 26, 2019

Expiration Date: June 30, 2020
unless superseded by subsequent
emergency order

EXPLANATION:

The State registration permit hunt for the Fortymile Caribou Herd is divided into 4 zones. This emergency order opens RC857, a 2-day hunt in Zone 3 of the Fortymile Caribou hunt area, located in a portion of Game Management Unit 20E.

No other caribou hunting regulations in Unit 20 are affected by this emergency order.



REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.025(a)(15), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR CARIBOU**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting caribou:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
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Unit 20(E), that portion within the Charley River drainage, the Seventymile River drainage upstream from and including the Granite Creek drainage, the North Fork Fortymile River drainage upstream from, but not including the Champion Creek drainage, the Middle Fork Fortymile River drainage upstream from and including the Joseph Creek drainage, the Mosquito Fork of the Fortymile River drainage upstream from and including the Wolf Creek drainage, and the drainages flowing into the Yukon River downstream from the confluence of the Seventymile and Yukon Rivers.

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 caribou by registration permit only

Aug. 11–Sept. 30

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull by registration permit only

Aug. 11–Sept. 30

Remainder of Unit 20(E)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 caribou, per lifetime of a hunter, by youth hunt drawing permit only; or

Aug. 1–Aug. 21

1 caribou by registration permit only, or

Aug. 11–Sept. 30

1 caribou by registration permit only

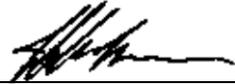
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JUSTIFICATION:

The Alaska Board of Game endorsed the Fortymile Caribou Herd Harvest Plan as a means of guiding harvest of the herd. The harvest plan recommends opening a 1- to 3-day season, prior to Dec. 1 in years when there is 1) insufficient opportunity during the fall season to harvest caribou in zone 3, and 2) caribou are present in the zone during late October or November. During the fall 2019 season, resident hunters only harvested 119 caribou in zone 3 and caribou are currently moving through the zone; therefore, both criteria have been met to justify opening a 2-day season in zone 3 to provide opportunity to hunt caribou.

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By delegation to: 

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